

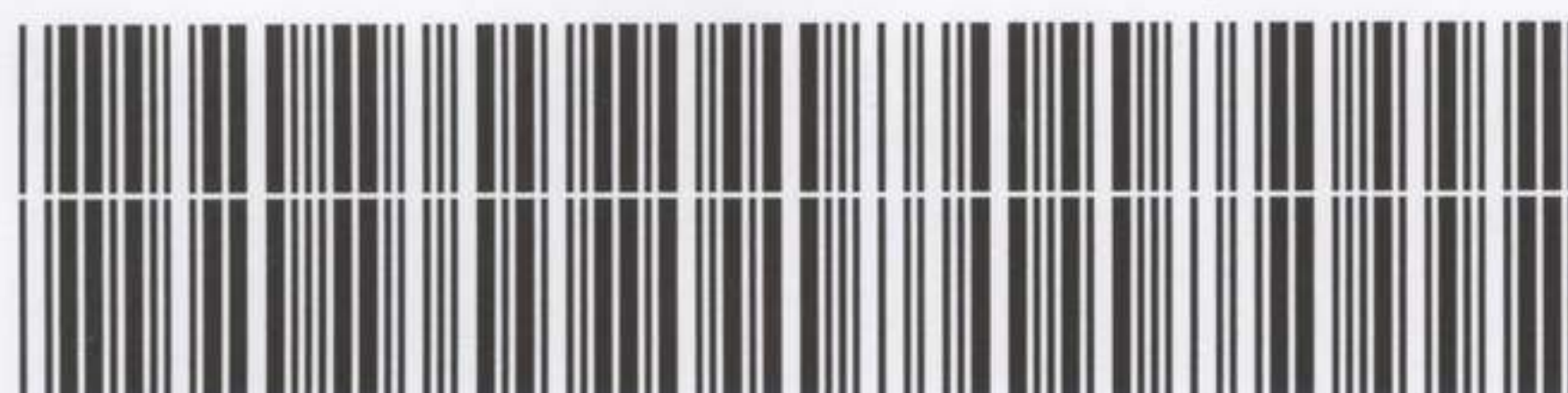
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OF

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FOR

MONTH OF MAY 1919.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	May. 1st.		Personnel. 12 M.O. 1 Disp. 1. Dent. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. M. 75. N/Staff. 2. Masseuses. XXXXXX 205 O/Ranks. Arrivals. 3 N/Staff. transferred. Departures. 1. N/Staff transferred. 2. O/Ranks transferred. Bed Strength. 1112. Admissions. 17. Discharges and Transfers. 22. 10.15. pm. XXXXXXXXXX Death: No. 6261. Pte HEARN. G. 9th Aust: Inf: Pneumonia. Patients remaining. 479. Midnight. Vacant Bed s. 633.	
	May 2nd.		Personnel. 12. M. Os 1. Disp. 1. Dent. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 77. N/Staff. 2. Masseuses. XXXXXX . 205. O/Ranks. Arrivals. 1. O/Ranks transferred. 1. O/Ranks from leave. Departures. 3. N/Staff transferred. 2. O/Ranks to leave. Bed Strength. 1112. Admissions. 17. Discharges and transfers. 9. Patients remaining. 487. Midnight. Vacant Beds. 625.	
	May 3rd.		Personnel. 12. M. Os. 1. Disp. 1. Dent. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 80. N/Staff. 2. Masseuses. 205. O/Rank. Arrivals. Nil. Departures. 2. O/Ranks to leave. Bed Strength. 1112. Admissions. 15. Discharges and Transfers. 18. Patients remaining. 484. Midnight. Vacant Beds. 628.	
	May 4th.		Personnel. 12. M. Os. 1. Disp. 1. Dent. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. M. s 80. N/Staff. 2. Masseuses. 203. O/Ranks. Arrivals. 2. Chaplains. (Chap: P. A. SMITH. & Chap: T. McKEON.) from leave. Departures. 1. O/Rank. transferred. Bed Strength. 1112. Admissions. 14. Discharges and Transfers. 3. Patients remaining. 495. Midnight. Vacant Beds. 617.	

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	May 5th.		Personnel. 12.M.Os.2.Chap.1.Disp.1.Dent.Off.1.Mess.Off.2.Q.Ms.80.N/Staff. 2.Masseuses.202 0/Ranks Arrivals. 1.M.O.transferred.(Major F.P.M.SOLLING.MC) Departures.1.M.O.transferred.(Capt:C.O.HELLSTROM.) Bed Strength.1112. Admissions.13. Discharges and Transfers.22. Patients remaining. 491.	
	Midnight.		Vacant Beds, 621.	
	May 6th.		Personnel. 12.M.Os.2.Chap:1.Disp.1.Dent.Off.1.Mess.Off.2. Q.Ms. 80.N/Staff. 2.Masseuses.202.0/Ranks Arrivals. 1.N/Staff from Hospital.1.0/Ranks transferred. Departures.1.Officer to Hospital(Major H.E.BROWN.)1.N/Staff transferred. Bed Strength.1112. Admissions.21. Discharges and Transfers 153. Patients remaining.359.	
	Midnight.		Vacant Beds. 753.	
	May 7th.		Personnel.11.M.Os.2.Chap:.1.Disp.1.Dent.Off.1.Mess.Off.2.Q.Ms.80.N/Staff.2.Masseuses. 203.0/Ranks. Arrivals. 17,0/Ranks transferred. Departures.3.N/Staff transferred. 5 0/Ranks to leave. Bed Strength.1112. Admissions.23. Discharges and Transfers.19. Patients remaining. 363.	
	Midnight.		Vacant Beds. 749.	
	May 8th.		Personnel. 11.M.Os.2.Chap:.1.Disp.1.Dent.Off.1.Mess.Off.2.Q.M s.77.N/Staff. 2.Masseuses.215.0/Ranks Arrivals. 5.N/Staff from leave.2.0/Ranks transferred. Departures.Nil. Bed Strength.1112. Admissions.17. Discharges and Transfers.13. Patients remaining.367.	
	Midnight.		Vacant Beds. 745.	

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	May 9th.		<p>Personnel. 11. M.Os.2.Chap: 1.Disp.1.Dent.Off.1.Mess.Off.2. Q.Ms.82.N/Staff.2.Masseuses.217.0/Rank</p> <p>Arrivals. Nil.</p> <p>Departures. 2.0/Ranks transferred.1.0/Rank to leave.</p> <p>Bed Strength.1112. Admissions. 15.</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers. 27.</p> <p>Patients remaining. 355.</p> <p>Vacant Beds. 757.</p>	
	Midnight.			
	May 10th.		<p>Personnel. 11. M.Os.2.Chap.1.Disp.1.Dent.Off.1.Mess.Off.2.Q.Ms. 82.N/Staff.2.Masseuses. 214.0/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 1.0/Rank from leave.</p> <p>Departures. 1.Chaplain transferred (Captain T.McKEON.) 6.N/Staff to leave.</p> <p>Bed Strength.1112. Admissions.32.</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers .15.</p> <p>Patients remaining. 372.</p> <p>Vacant Beds.740.</p>	
	Midnight.			
	May 11th.		<p>Personnel. 11. M.Os.1.Chap.1.Disp.1.Dent.Off.1.Mess.Off.2.Q.Ms.76.N/Staff.2.Masseuses. 215.0/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals Nil.</p> <p>Departures. Nil.</p> <p>Bed Strength.1112. Admissions.10.</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers.10.</p> <p>Patients remaining.372.</p> <p>Vacant Beds.740.</p>	
	Midnight.			
	May 12th.		<p>Personnel. 11. M.Os.1.Chap.1.Disp.1.Dent.Off.1.Mess.Off.2.Q.Ms.76.N/Staff.2.Masseuses. 215.0/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 1.Med.Off.transferred. (Major E.R.CORDNER.)1.Med.Off.from Hospital(Major H.E.BROWN)</p> <p>Departures. 1.Med.Off.to leave.(Major H.E.BROWN)1.0/Rank transferred.</p> <p>Bed Strength 1112. Admission.18.</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers 22.</p> <p>Patients remaining.368.</p> <p>Vacant Beds. 744.</p>	
	Midnight,			

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	May 13th.		Personnel. 12. Med. Off. 1. Chap. 1. Disp. 1. Dent. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 76. N/Staff. 2. Masseuses. 214.0/Ranks. Arrivals. 4. N/Staff transferred. Departures. 1. N/Staff transferred. 1. N/Staff to leave. Bed Strength. 1112. Admissions. 10. Discharges and Transfers. 29. Patients remaining. 349. Midnight. Vacant Beds. 763.	
	May 14th.		Personnel. 12. Med. Off. 1. Chap. 1. Disp. 1. Dent. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 78. N/Staff. 2. Masseuses. 214.0/Ranks. Arrivals. 1. Chaplain transferred (Captain RAMSAY.) 1. Masseuses. from leave. 6.0/Rank from leave Departures. 1. Med. Off. (Captain C. MAXWELL.) to Hospital. 1.0/Rank transferred. Bed Strength. 1112. Admissions. 13. Discharges and Transfers. 13. Patients remaining. 349. Midnight. Vacant Beds. 763 $\frac{1}{2}$.	
	May 15th.		Personnel. 11. Med. Off. 2. Chap. 1. Disp. 1. Dent. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 78. N/Staff. 3. Masseuses. 219.0/Ranks. Arrivals. Nil. Departures. 1. N/Staff to Hospital. 1.0/Rank transferred. Bed Strength. 1112. Admissions. 22. Discharges and Transfers. 26. 11.15. pm. <u>DEATH</u> : No. 18923 Pte P. HAMILTON. AAMC. Accidental injuries. Midnight. Patients remaining. 344. Vacant Beds. 768.	
	May 16th.		Personnel. 11. Med. Off. 2. Chap. 1. Disp. 1. Dent. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 78. N/Staff. 3. Masseuses. 218.0/Rank. Arrivals. 1. Med. Off. (Major H. E. BROWN) from leave. 1. Chaplain (Capt. P. P. McDONELL) transferred. 1. N/Staff. from leave. 2.0/Ranks from leave. Departures. Nil. Bed Strength 1112. Admissions. 17.	

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	May 16th (Cont)	Midnight.	Discharges and Transfers.14. Patients remaining.347. Vacant Beds. 765.	
	May 17th		Personnel. 12.Med.Off.3.Chap.1.Disp.1.Dent.Off.1.Mess.Off.2.Q.Ms.78.N/Staff.3.Masseuses. 220.0/Ranks. Arrivals. 1.General Duties Officer.(Lieut:L.J.BOTHAM)transferred. 1.0/Rank transferred. Departures. 1.Med.Off.(Captain O.LATHAM) to leave. 5.0/Ranks to leave. Bed Strenght. 1112.Admissions.24. Discharges and Transfers 26. Patients remaining 365. Vacant Beds. 747	
		Midnight.		
	May 18th.		Personnel. 11.Med.Off.3.Chap.1.Disp.1.Dent.Off.1.Mess.Off.2.Q.Ms.1.G.D.Off.78.N/Staff. 3.Masseuses.216.0/Ranks. Arrivals. Nil. Departures. Nil. Bed Strenght. 1112.Admissions.15. Discharges and Transfers.5. Patients remaining.375. Vacant Beds. 737.	
		Midnight.		
	May 19th.		Personnel. 11.Med.Off.3.Chap.1.Disp.1.Dent.Off.1.Mess.Off.2.Q.Ms.1.G.D.Off.78.N/Staff. 3.Masseuse.216.0/Rank. Arrivals. 1.0/Rank from leave. Departures. 2.Med.Off.transferred (Major F.P.M.SOLLING.MC. & MAJOR.E.M.ALLESTER) 1.0/Rank to leave. Bed Strength. 1112. Admissions.13. Discharges and Transfers.15. Patients remaining 373. Vacant Beds. 739.	
		Midnight.		
	May 20th.		Personnel. 9.Med.Off.3.Chap.1.Disp.1.Dent.Off.1.Mess.Off.2.Q.Ms. 1.G.D.Off.78.N/Staff. 3.Masseuses.216.0/Ranks.	

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May 20th (cont)			<p>Arrivals. 1. Dent. Off. transferred (Captain H.C.D. TAUNTON). Departures. 3.0/Ranks transferred. 2.0/Ranks to leave. Bed Strength 1112. Admissions. 10. Discharges and Transfers. 19. Patients remaining. 364. Vacant Beds. 748</p>	
	Midnight.			
May 21st.			<p>Personnel. 9. Med. Off. 3. Chap. 1. Disp. 2. Dent. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Off. 78. N/Staff 3. Masseuses. 211.0/Ranks. Arrivals. 27 0/Ranks transferred. 1.0/Ranks on leave. Departures. 1. Dent. Off. transferred (Lieut: C.H. DOWN.) 1.0/Rank transferred. Bed Strength 1112. Admissions. 15. Discharges and Transfers 13. Patients remaining. 366. Vacant Beds. 746.</p>	
	Midnight.			
May 22nd.			<p>Personnel. 9. Med. Off. 3. Chap. 1. Disp. 1. Dent. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Off. 78. N/Staff. 3. Masseuses. 238.0/Ranks. Arrivals. Nil. Departures. 1. Masseuses. transferred. 32.0/Ranks transferred. Bed Strength 1112. Admissions. 16. Discharges and Transfers. 14. Patients remaining. 368. Vacant Beds. 744.</p>	
	Midnight.			
May 23rd.			<p>Personnel. 9. Med. Off. 3. Chap. 1. Disp. 1. Dent. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Off. 78. N/Staff. 2. Masseuses. 206. 0/Ranks. Arrivals. 2.0/Ranks from leave. Departures. 2. N/Staff transferred. Bed Strength. 1112. Admissions. 26. Discharges and Transfers. 22. Patients remaining. 372. Vacant Beds. 740.</p>	
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May 24th.			<p>Personnel. 9.Med.Off.3.Chap.1.Disp.1.Dent.Off.1.Mess.Off.2.Q.M.1.G.D.Off.76.N/Staff. 2.Masseuses.208.0/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 1.N/Staff from leave.3.0/Ranks transferred.</p> <p>Departures. 1.0/Ranks transferred.</p> <p>Bed Strenght. 1112.Admissions.20.</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers.11.</p> <p>Patients remaining.381.</p> <p>Vacant Beds,731.</p>	
	Midnight.			
May 25th.			<p>Personnel. 9.Med.Off.3.Chap.1.Disp.1.Dent.Off.1.Mess.Off.2.Q.M.s 1.G.D.Off. 77.N/Staff. 2.Masseuses.210.0/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 1.N/Staff from Hospital. 3.N/Staff from leave.</p> <p>Departures. 1.N/Staff transferred.</p> <p>Bed Strenght,1112.Admissions.5.</p> <p>DEATH. No.7313.Pte GRILLS.W.J., Australian Engrs.10th Fld Coy. Appendicitis.</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers. 3.</p> <p>Patients remaining.382.</p> <p>Vacant Beds. 730.</p>	
	10.45.am.			
	Midnight.			
May 26th.			<p>Personnel. 9.Med.Off.3.Chap.1.Disp.1.Dent.Off.1.Mess.Off. 2.Q.Ms.1.G.D.Off.80.N/Staff. 2.Masseuses.210.0/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 1.Med.Off.from leave(Captain O.LATHAM).1.0/Rank transferred.</p> <p>Departures. 4.0/Ranks transferred.</p> <p>Bed Strenght.1112. Admissions. 10.</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers 27.</p> <p>Patients remaining. 365.</p> <p>Vacant Beds. 747.</p>	
	Midnight.			
May 27th.			<p>Personnel. 10.Med.Off.3.Chap.1.Disp.1.Dent.Off.1.Mess.Off.2.Q.Ms.1.G.D.Off.80.N/Staff. 2.Masseuses.207.0/Ranks.</p> <p>Arrivals. 2.N/Staff.from leave. 2 0/Ranks transferred. 3 0/Ranks from leave.</p> <p>Departures. 1.N/Staff to Hospital.3.0/Ranks transferred.1.0/Ranks to leave.</p> <p>Bed Strength.1112. Admissions.14.</p>	

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May 28th.	Midnight.		Personnel. 10. Med. Off. 3. Chap. 1. Disp. 1. Dent. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Off. 81. N/Staff 2. Masseuses. 208. 0/Ranks. Arrivals. 1. Chaplain. (Captain T. HARVEY.) transferred. 1. 0/Rank transferred. 1. 0/Rank from leave Departures. 1. 0/Rank transferred. Bed Strength. 1112. Admissions. 10. Discharges and Transfers. 10. Patients remaining. 370 . 365. Vacant Beds. 747.	
May 29th.	Midnight.		Personnel. 10. Med. Off. 4. Chap. 1. Disp. 1. Dent. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. M. s. 1. G. D. Off. 81. N/Staff. 2. Masseuses. 209. 0/Ran ks. Arrivals. Nil. Departures. 1. N/Staff to leave. 3. 0/Ranks to leave. Bed Strength 1112. Admissions. 19. Discharges and Transfers. 14. Patients remaining. 370. Vacant Beds. 742.	
May 30th	Midnight,		Personnel. 10. Med. Off. 4. Chap. 1. Disp. 1. Dent. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Off. 80. N/Staff. 2. Masseuses. 206. 0/Ranks. Arrivals. Nil. Departures. 1. Chaplain. to. leave (Captain P. A. SMITH.) 3. 0/Ranks transferred. 3. 0/Ran ks to leave. Bed Strength. 1112. Admission. 9. Discharges and Transfers. 8. Patients remaining. 371. Vacant Beds. 741.	
May 31st			Personnel. 10. Med. Off. 3. Chap. 1. Disp. 1. Dent. Off. 1. Mess. Off. 2. Q. Ms. 1. G. D. Off. 80. N/Staff. 2. Masseuses 200. 0/Ranks. XXXXXXXXXX Arrival. Nil.	

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May 31st (cont)			<p>Departures. 1.N/Staff. to hopsitaa. 3.0/Ranks transferred.</p> <p>Bed Strength.1112.Admissions.17.</p> <p>Discharges and Transfers.25.</p> <p>Patients remaining 363</p> <p>Vacant Beds. 749.</p>	
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Notice posted that a branch of A.I.F. Educational Service has been opened under W.O. Robert Paine. Arrangements made to open classes in French, Bookkeeping, Commercial ~~Art~~ Art, Water Colours, Music-Theory, English, Arithmetic &c. Three Sisters arrived & one left - Two O.R.s. (warrior men of early 1916 quota) left for front.

2/5/19

Two Temp Sisters promoted to Sisters - & eleven S/nurses promoted to be Sisters under authority received from the A.I.F. One pte for Dental unit arrived from Parkhouse - Three more nurses left.

4/5/19

Major Genl Sir C. Rosenthal G.O.C. A.I.F. Depots in U.K. spent afternoon here from 2 till 5-15 pm visiting patients in wards. He was able to speak personally to practically every patient who will be going on the next Hospital Ship "Karoola" next week. The Comd'g Officer accompanied him in his rounds. All preparations being carefully made regarding despatch of patients by "Karoola" tomorrow.

5/5/19

Weather which has been very fine & mild, broke this morning & was raining but not very cold.

6/5/19

Patients for the Karoola 4 officers & 134 O.R.s. commenced to leave the Hospital at 10.30 am by motor ambulances. They were served with a meal at 10 am. & further arrangements had been made with Red Cross & M.C.C. representatives for refreshments (coffee, cakes, cigarettes &c) to be served at the Station in case of delay. R.B. Hurst

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Sutton Vimy	7/5/19		Seventeen O.Rs. arrived from Forant - Three Sisters left for embarkation to Australia -	
	8/5/19		Issue of coal to wards reduced owing to warmer weather - Two O.Rs. arrived from Forant	
	9/5/19		Two O.Rs. evacuated to Weymouth - A.D.M.S. visited during am. -	
	10/5/19		Captain (Chaplain) T. McKeon left for embarkation to Africa - The Duke of Somerset visited the hospital & distributed comforts to the patients -	
	11/5/19		Raining & cold.	
	13/5/19		Inspected Unit Post Office - The office deals through the F.P.O. NOT Commands situated in No. 7 Camp. Mails in collected by orderlies from NOT Comm. Depot 2 c'daily. & once on Sundays - Ambulance used - Mails out are sorted tied up in bundles taken to the Civil Post Office Sutton Vimy 2 c'daily & once on Sundays - Marquees are still being cleared out & struck where possible: to air the ground & not be used to receive surplus equipment from tents - A U.C.B. is sleeping in these wards.	
	14/5/19		Arranges that breakfast for personnel be at 7 am. instead of 7.30 am. from Friday next (16th inst) & to be over by 8.15 am. - Infection's quarters (wards) inspected. Orderlies not carrying out instructions re wearing gowns - To be rectified - Melcham visits in p.m. to ascertain what has become of the patient left there when the convalescent home closed. Ascertained that the patient had left in the morning for Weymouth WVS group under instructions from A.D.M.S. Tidworth -	
	15/5/19		visited Bulford with Major Douglas. Q.M. (Capt Mangham) accompanied & went on to Tidworth Ordnance.	R.B. Huat table

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Sultan Nery	15/5/19		Admiral Tidworth called at 11 am and notified that D. S. C. (Col. Millard) will be here tomorrow.	
	16/5/19		Five German POWs discharged with crime sheets. They had all been found illegally in possession of socks + other articles principally soap which had evidently been stolen but no evidence to show where they had obtained these articles.	
	17/5/19		Phone message from Admiral Tidworth that Major Cordner appointed Supt "Madras" sailing on 16th inst. That Department of D. T. A. notified that his wife will accompany him. Col. Miles visited hospital. Col. Millard arrived at 11 am. The following notes were put before Col. Millard: Confirmation of appointment of Captain MacLutcheon + his promotion to T/Major while holding the position. Reduction of V.A.D.S. as arrangements are being made to reduce this staff. (14 names have been prepared to send in to Devonshire House for withdrawal principally clerks). -	
	19/5/19		Message received from Off Fango Military Hospital to send German POWs there. It will go tomorrow. leaving Nil.	
	20/5/19		Arranged with Messing Officer for issue of cocoa to night staff at 2 am in place of tea. To issue tea with their 10.30 pm meal.	
	22/5/19		Major Cordner has now been informed that he will not go on "Madras" for repatriation. Captain H.C.D. Taunton reported for duty as Dental Officer + Lt Col. Down left 32 O.R.s of 1916 enlist' (10 half) left for Forant for repatriation.	
	23/5/19		Two Sisters left for repatriation. Interviewed Mahon re reduction of nos. of V.A.D.S. employees.	
	24/5/19		Three O.R.s arrived. Col. Miles visited hospital. Adams arranged to send back some venereal cases who have been sent here by mistake from Bulford.	

R.B. Annette

WAR DIARY

Army Form C. 2118

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Cullin Vimy	27/5/19		Three ORs (married men awaiting family ships) left for Front.	
	28/5/19		One OR left for repatriation to Front. One OR arrived from Front.	
	30/5/19		Chaplain J. Harvey (Pres) reported: Reduction of cook houses announced. Mens cooking to be done in main Cookhouse from 2nd June next. Men to dine in present Red Cross Recreation room.	
	31/5/19		Three ORs left for Front. Education services. Reports attached as appendices.	
				R.D. Hustable

WAR DIARY

OF

FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL:

FOR .

MAY 1919.~~191~~

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Subject.

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2. Report of the Education Service, A.I.F.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL:

SUTTON VENNY:

WILTS:

7th June 1919.

TO: D.M.S., A.I.F.
A.I.F. Headquarters,
LONDON.

Ref. D.M.S., A.I.F., M.1513/4/2 of 15.10.17.

Herewith please

REPORT FROM C.O.
FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL.

FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 1919.

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The work for the month has been gradually growing lighter.

INSPECTIONS ETC.

The A.D.M.S., A.I.F. Depots in U.K. (Col. Burston, D.S.O.) visited the Hospital during the month generally weekly.

April. 2nd. The G.O.C. Southern Command (Lt. Genl. Sir. H.C. SCLATER, G.C.B. &c. and Major. Genl. Sir. Chas. Rosenthal, K.C.B. D.S.O.) visited.

April. 3rd. Col. Sir. Arthur Mayo-Robson visited.

April. 10th. The Mental Specialist, Southern Command, visited concerning patients, also on 15th, 17th and 24th.

ADMISSIONS ETC.

Total admitted	--	600.
Australians	--	569.
Others.	--	31.

The average no. of admissions per day was	--	20.
The " " " Discharges " " "	--	26.

DEATHS:

Number (Australians)	--	8.
Others.	--	"
Total.	--	8.

Average duration of stay in Hospital was - 12.6.

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MEDICAL DEPARTMENT:

Report by Captain A.G. BRYDON, Officer in charge Medical Division is attached. The majority of cases are still the result of the late epidemic of Influenza - but numbers of admissions due to this cause are decreasing and virulence diminishing - Infectious diseases of other types have also decreased. The health of staffs has been good.

SURGICAL DEPARTMENT:

Report of Major. R.O. DOUGLAS, Officer in charge of the Surgical division is attached. He refers to the good work still being carried on by the Massage and electrical staff and to the various types of pyuria being admitted. - otherwise the inflow has been of the ordinary surgical case. He again refers to the evil effects of prolonged immobilization and extension shown in partially treated cases being received.

Operations -- total -- 53.

PATHOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT:

Report of Capt., O.LATHAM., is attached.

X.RAY. DEPARTMENT:

Report by Capt. A.E. BROWN. attached. He notes considerable improvement in quality of plates, the arrival of the extra accumulator battery and the difficulty in recharging.

ELECTRO-THERAPEUTIC DEPARTMENT:

Report of Capt., A.E. BROWN. is attached., showing numbers treated and methods used.

DENTAL DEPARTMENT:

Capt., C. MORCOM. has been replaced by Lt. C.H. DOWN. The staff has been fully occupied.

EYE, EAR, NOSE & THROAT DEPT:

This department is still under Capt. BRYDON. assisted by a weekly visit by Major Temple-Smith.,.

REGISTERAR'S DEPARTMENT:

CAPT. A.B. MCCUTCHEON, has taken over from Major. K. McK. DOIG, M.C. who left during the month for Educational purposes. The work is still heavy.

PAY SECTION:

As in last month's report .

QUARTERMASTERS DEPARTMENT:

Report of Capt. H.M. MAUGHAN is attached. The whole equipment was

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checked on change of Commanding Officers and a Board of Enquiry held on deficiencies. There is still trouble in ensuring the return to store of broken articles. It is proposed to detail sufficient personnel to constantly check equipment under the Q.M. and endeavour to enforce regulations particularly with regard to handing in of broken articles : the unauthorised changing of equipment from ward to ward and tracing lost articles.

NURSING DEPARTMENT:

Matron E. GRAY, R.R.C., took over from a/Matron A. KIDD HART, on the 6th April, and a full report is attached.

GENERAL SERVICE V.A.D. DEPT:

Report of Mrs. L.A. BAKER, Commandant, GS/VAD. is attached. The report notes reduction in members of this staff and the cause. The improvements in the V.A.D. Quarters have been completed and the new Mess Room and Kitchen are in use.

SANITARY OFFICERS DEPT:

Report of Capt., O. LATHAM., is attached. Steps have been taken to rectify all matters referred to, needing attention.

DISPENSARY:

Lt. T.W. LONGVILLE in charge. The work is heavy, as all other Units draw from the Hospital. In addition, Quotas arriving from France hand in their equipment, which is then carefully overhauled and checked and sent to London.

ISOLATION COMPOUNDS:

A marquee has been pitched for overflow patients. Another Marquee and a bell tent pitched for accommodation of Nursing Staff. An Alwyn Hut has been fitted up as a bathroom for Sisters and Boiler for Hot water installed. All Alwyn Huts have been cleaned out and are being used where necessary, for special cases, as the weather becomes warmer.

V. D.

Nothing special to report.

ANAESTHETICS REPORT:

Major. E.M. ALLESTER reports 53 administrations with particulars of anaesthetics used.

MOTOR TRANSPORT SECTION:

No. change.

MESSING OFFICER:

No Change.

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OFFICER PATIENTS:

No change.

SICK SISTERS HOSPITAL:

Accommodation good and sufficient.

WOMEN WAR WORKER PATIENTS:

Nothing further to report .

PRISONER OF WAR PATIENTS:

Nothing further to report.

AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY:

Mrs. M. BLANCH, A.R.C., is still in charge. Her report is attached. The comforts provided are taken full advantage of.

RECREATION ROOM:

No. change.

Y.M.C.A. HUT:

No change.

INTERNAL TELEPHONE SYSTEM:

Is not yet complete.

RECREATION:

Has been well supplied -- outdoor games are encouraged in every way, and also indoor recreation, the Committee meeting weekly arranges and carries out numerous entertainments etc., for both Staff and Patients.

DISCIPLINE:

Has been good.

GARDENS:

Are receiving as much attention as the diminishing staff will permit. Vegetables and flowers have been planted.

CHANGE OF COMMAND:

Colonel. J.A. DICK, C.M.G., handed over command on

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23rd April to Colonel., R.B. HUXTABLE.

R. B. Huxtable

Colonel., AAMC.

Commanding,

First Australian General Hospital.

SUTTON VENY: WILES:
7.6.19.

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REPORTS HEREWITH FROM :-

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT:

SURGICAL DEPARTMENT:

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CONSUMPTION OF FOOD PER 100 PATIENTS FOR APRIL.

RETURN OF BREAKAGES.

RETURN OF DRESSINGS ISSUED.

FLIGHT AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL:

TO: THE OFFICER COMMANDING:
1st A.G.H.

MONTHLY REPORT FOR THE QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 1919.

I beg to submit the following report for the month of April in reference to this Department.

Personnel.

Sgt. See, Sgt. Steward has been struck off strength of Repatriation to Australia.

Cpl. Fox. N.C.O. in charge of General store has taken up the duties of Sgt. Steward in lieu of Sgt. See.

Pte. A. Munro has taken over the duties of Cpl. Fox in the General Store. 3

Sgt. Shaw reported having been taken on strength and has been put in charge of equipment, ckecking wards etc.

Linen Store.

The following are the main items of Linen sent to Laundry for the month :-

Dusters	520.	Cases dip	4360
Cloths. B.P.	227	Counterpanes	1069
" Distinctive	510	Sheets	6430
" Medicine	330	Towels Bath	485
" Table	351	" Hand	5390
" Tea	1170	" Round	490
Neckerchiefs	1456	" Operating	230
Handkerchiefs	2050	Jackets Sleeping	2527
Overalls	530	Shirts Cotton	1180
Socks	956	Trousers Sleep:	2254
Waistcoats Serge	815	" Serge.	1184

<u>pack Store.</u>	Number of kits	received into store.	485.
"	"	issued from	497.
"	"	remaining in	348.

Clothing store.

Clothing issued to patients.	667. artciles.
Necessaries issued.	2738. articles.

Dispensary. Attached please find Breakages and Issue returns from the Dispensary for the month.

Stewards Store. Attached please find provisions consumed per hundred patients for the month.
The number of patients subsisted for the month has been 14,602.

The number of diets issued for the months ghas been as follows :-

Ordinary	10318.
Chicken.	973.
Milk.	3311.

Messing. The following Bye Products have been saved during the month.:-

Dripping 1st class.	9 cwts.	0 qtrs.	1 lb.
" 2nd class.		2 qtrs.	14 lbs.
Bones.	19	0	16
Swill.	189.	2	0.

Housing. The V.A.D. quarters are practically completed and the Kitchen accomodation together with the Dining room

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has been transferred from the G.S.W: Quarters to that known as the G.S. Labour Quarters.

Four Wards are now closed including the large ward B. Otherwise the housing remains as previously.

General. All departments are working satisfactorily taking into account the changes taking place.

Provisions and fuel have been coming to hand satisfactorily. Permission to use the six weeks reserve stock held in case of the Railway and transport strike was asked for but a reply was received stating that at present Southern Command rules that they must be held.

SUTTON VENY: WILTS:
1.5.19.

(SGD) H. MAUGHAN. Capt.,
Quartermaster.,
First Australian General Hospital.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL.

To:

The Commanding Officer,
First Australian General Hospital.

REPORT OF NURSING DEPARTMENT FOR MONTH OF
APRIL 1919.

The month of April has seen very many changes in the Hospital not only in the Nursing Staff but amongst all other departments. I took charge as Matron on April 6th., and found a considerable amount of work in the wards. Many of the Patients suffering from Influenza were still very sick, many of them with Pneumonia, the other Medical Nursing in the Hospital has not been heavy.

The Surgical Nursing for the month has not been light; quite a number of Patients with fractured femur are still with us, while many other acute surgical cases have been administered to.

On the whole the month has seen some very good work done, though our numbers have lessened considerably.

CHANGES.

The month has been one of constant change as will probably be the case with all the remaining months of our time in England.

So many of our Sisters and Nurses are taking up Non-Military Employment and a fair percentage leaving for Australia, that there cannot be the same stability amongst the Staff.

Head Sister Hart who has been with the Unit for a long time, having joined them in France, has left us to take temporary charge of the Nursing work at No. 2. Command Depot. Weymouth. Miss Hart has done excellent work in the Unit, occupying many important position her last one being that of Acting Matron for some weeks after Miss Cornwell's departure. It was with sincere regret that the members of the Unit wished Miss Hart farewell, though just now these feelings are tempered with the thought that they are leaving for repatriation to Australia.

SICKNESS.

The health of the Sisters on the whole has been fair. Many members of our Staff have come from India and Salonica, and have felt the change of climate severe; for the weather through the month has been much colder than we might have expected for this time of the year. Some of these Sisters have had short mild attacks of Malaria.

Influenza has attacked four members, two of them developing some Pneumonia; one Sister had Measles.

All these Sisters are now very much better. Sisters Jackson and Bennett will be leaving shortly for Australia, also S/Nurse Harvey.

LEAVE.

Fourteen days ordinary leave has been granted to 13 members of the Staff, while eight members were granted permission to stay in London overnight in order to view the procession of our Soldiers on Anzac Day.

STRUCK OFF THE STRENGTH.

The following Sisters and S/Nurses have been struck off the strength of the Unit through the month:-

Sister MacRae. F.C.)	
" Morhead. A.L.)	
" Ogelthorpe. M.)	
S/Nurse Pitman. L.M.)	Taking up Non-Military
" Morehead. C.E.)	Employment.
" Robertson. A.K.)	

Sister Kemp. A.A.)
S/Nurse Cadle. G.) Have gone on transport duty to Australia.

S/Nurse Beagley. E.)	
" Griffiths. A.I.))	Have been away from the Unit
" Kay. F.)	for some considerable time, sick
" Morrow. M.)	at Southwell Gardens.

TAKEN ON THE STRENGTH.

Sister Smith. A.P.)	
" Allan. R.)	
" Weatherhead. H.))	
S/Nurse Miller. E.F.)	From A.I.F. Headquarters.
" Brown. L.)	25.4.19.
" Rogerson. E.S.)	
" Carr. M.N.)	
" Thomas. M.R.)	

THE MASSAGE WORK.

During the month the work done by the Masseuses has been extensive. Ninety-seven new Patients have received treatment apart from 88 Patients who were receiving massage and electrical treatment at the beginning of the month.

The work done by this branch of our workers has helped our Soldiers wonderfully. Many of them bearing excellent testimony to the good they have obtained by it.

Miss Newton who has been on duty in our Hospitals since July 1915 and done excellent work, has left us for Australia.

We close the month with eighty Sisters on duty and two sick in Hospital.

B. Gray Matron.
A.A.N.S., A.I.F.
FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL.

SUTTON VENY. WILT.
1.5.19.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL:

TO: THE COMMANDING OFFICER:
1st A.G.H.

REPORT OF THE G.S.VAD. DEPARTMENT FOR THE MONTH
OF APRIL 1919.

During the month of April the improvements in the quarters have been completed and the V.A.Ds are now using the new Mess Room and Kitchens.

As the wards are closing, we find we have now too many Ward Orderlies and arrangements are being carried out whereby some members will be transferred to Imperial Units and others demobilised.

The health of the Unit has been very good for the month of April, three members only being sick in Hospital.

The strength of the Unit is 114 and this will be reduced to 100 as soon as arrangements are completed.

SUTTON VENY: WILTS:
1.5.19.

(SGD) L.L.A. BAKER.
Commandant, GS/VAD.
First Australian General Hospital.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL:

TO: OFFICER COMMANDING:
1st A.G.H.

REPORT OF APRIL 1919. FROM THE SANITARY DEPARTMENT

1. The removal of refuse is still the burning question. Naturally it is more economical to send a cart every few days for a whole day to pack away 3 days accumulation, than to send 3 carts in one day for just one load. But as things are, we have practically to send for a cart specially every time excessive material accumulates, a waste of energy and a perversion of the separate bins, specially made to collect different constituents i.e. (1) Tins, (2) Bottles, (3) broken crockery (4) ashes (5) cinders (6) paper and rags: the latter we are now burning.
2. I have repeatedly requested the N.C.Os concerned to carefully pick out large size tins which from time to time collect at the dump, and to paint them with the number of the ward - this in lieu of of a large no. of special covered tins already ordered only part of which are to hand. I have even provided the paint. I have no evidence that this has been done., but on the contrary note some very fine large tins going to waste. even today.
3. I met Capt. Welsford, District Sanitary Officer, and he was exceedingly annoyed at the continual mixing of tins, bottles, rags, etc. of all sorts., with the ashes. I have repeatedly spoken about this, but the men say, the hand-cart is too small to collect the tins etc., separately.
4. I suggest sacks (Some are going to waste outside No.5. Camp. on the fence) be provided (and with 2 rings attached as well as the iron receptacles) for paper, Branches, tins etc., to hang upon the wall, and to have the number of ward painted thereon.
5. There is a serious backward tendency re. keeping the camp clean rags, papers, pieces of oilcloth, cement etc., especially round Sisters' quarters, behind Officers' quarters, and mens' Huts. A party should be organised to clear up the whole place. The condition of the dump is fast approaching the chaos which existed before the separate bins were made.
6. The swill folk will not now take on potatoes peels, in consequence bags upon bags of this material lie stinking near the dump, and men's Mess Room, to the encouragement of flies and the distress of passing noses. I suggest pits be dug where these peelings could be covered and buried each day.
7. Again, a drain discharging dirty water and paper offends the sight by the Officer's path.

SUTTON VENY: WILTS:
1.5.19.

(SGD) OLIVER LATHAM. Capt.,
Sanitary Officer,
First Australian General Hospital.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL:

To; OFFICER COMMANDING:
1st A.G.H.

ANAESTHETIC REPORT: FOR MONTH OF
APRIL 1919.

1. During the month 53 operations were performed under General Anaesthesia.
2. In the majority of these cases Chloroform was used for induction followed by Open Ether.
3. Nitrous Oxide and Oxygen was administered on six occasions.

SUTTON VENY: WILTS:
1.5.19.

(SGD) E.MARTSON. ALLESTER.
Major.,
Anaesthetist,
First Australian General Hospital.

FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL:

RETURN OF RED CROSS STOCK ISSUED AT 1st A.G.H. FOR MONTH ENDING
30th APRIL 1919.

ARTICLES:	QUANTITY ISSUED.	ARTICLES.	QUANTITY ISSUED:
Cigarettes	42850	Salmon	71
Tobacco	ozs. 976	Sardines	14 tins
Chocolate	bars 1700	Plum Puddings	lbs 1019
Combs	121	Cake	" 114
Face washers	605	Biscuits	" 672
Hair brushes	142	Sweets boiled	" 490
Handkerchiefs	130	Butter scotch	24 tins
Housewives	87	Golden Syrup	21
Mirrors	84	Condensed milk	38 tins
Mufflers	69	Cheese	lbs 90
Mittons	1.	" Cheddar	tins 36
Balaclava caps	3	Butter	" 202
Playing cards pkts	78 pkts	Jelly crystals	$\frac{1}{2}$ case
Pipes	89	Peas soup sausages	$\frac{1}{2}$ case
Razor strops	1	Extract of meat	2 lbs
Shaving brushes	26	Coffee essence	5 bottles
" soap cakes	64	Prunes	4 cases
Socks prs	226	Currants lbs	56
Stationary pkts	114	Honey	60 lbs
Toilet soap ckases	733	Dressing gowns	81
Toilet bags	193	Bed socks	60 prs
Tooth brushes	197	Ash trays	250
Tooth powder tins	266	Slippers	43 pairs
Walking sticks	2	Hot x Buns	400 doz.
Old linen rolls	100	Sports prizes	15.
Preserved fruit	375 tins	Crutches rubber	12 prs
Jam	tins 82	W. sticks	9
Ham paste 1 lb tins	139		
Camp pie "	166		
Sheep tongues	50		
Ox cheek	29		
Beef in jelly	18		
Sausages	67		
Boiled rabbit	114.		

SUTTON VENNY: WILTS:
..5.19.

(SGD) M. N. BLANCH.

Red Cross Representative,
First Australian General Hospital.

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RETURN OF DRESSINGS ISSUED:

Ward.	wool. lbs.	lint. lbs.	Gauze. yds.	Bandages. Tgr.Roll.	Jaconet. yds.	Gamgee tissue.	Pins. safety.	Plast. Reel.
1.	4	5	18	84	-	1.	2.	-
2.	6.	2.	144.	24.	6	-	4.	-
3.	19	14	360	48	172.	3	5	1
4a & 4b.	3	2	48	24	4	-	3	-
5.	20	10	380	66	456.	5	3	-
6.	7	2	72	36	48	-	3	-
7.	5	4	108	12	48	-	-	1
81	53	26	1332.	108.	224	-	16	1
9.	23	7	1908	36	108	3	10	1
10.	9	6	100	36	48	2	-	1
11.	6	3	36	72	3	-	-	-
14.	4	3	72	12	48	-	1	-
15.	6	15	72	48	120	-	2	-
16.	2	4	48	72	-	-	2	-
17.	3	1	24	24	-	-	2	1
18.	3	4	12	12	-	-	-	-
19.	3	4	12	48	-	-	-	1
20 & 21	2		24	12	12	-	-	1
Oph								-
Theatre	12	7	288.	36.	72	-	12	-
A	17	20	138	96	340	3	4	2
C	15	9	276	48	172	-	3	1

Total:- 222 148 5472. 588.2128. 29 62 83 11

RETURN OF BREAKAGES:

Ward	Med:Glasses 2 ozs.	Thermometers.	Med.Glasses 4.ozs	Syringes.
2.	-	1	1	-
3.	-	-	-	1
5.	1	-	1	1
6.	-	1	1	-
7.	1	1	1	-
8.	-	1	2	1
9.	-	3	-	1
10.	1	2	-	-
13.	-	2	-	1
14.	-	4	-	-
15.	-	2	1	-
16.	1	1	1	-
17.	-	2	-	-
18.	-	4	-	1
20 & 21	-	1	-	-
A	2	1	3	1
Oper: Theatre	-	-	-	2

Total:- 6 26 11 9

PROVISIONS CONSUMED PER 100 PATIENTS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 1919.

Meat	Fish	Bacon	Potatoes.	Vegetables	Bread.
lbs	lbs	lbs	lbs	lbs	lbs
61.2.	10.12.	17.14.	66.14.	23.15.	80.5.
Milk	Eggs	Sugar	Cereals	Margarine	Cheese.
Pints	No	lbs	lbs	lbs	lbs
133.4.	29	10	21.10.	6.8.	1.13.
Jam	Cocoa	Tea & Coff:	Spirits.	Liquor.	
lbs	lbs	ozs lbs	ozs	pints	
10.3.	1.	2.12.	16.	14.6.	

SUTTON VENY:WILTS:
5.5.19.

(SGD) HAROLD.M.MAUGHAN.
Captain.
Quartermaster.
First Australian General Hospital.

TO: THE OFFICER COMMANDING:
1st A.G.H.

REPORT OF THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT FOR MONTH OF
APRIL 1919.

The work of the Medical side of the Hospital for the month of April has again been chiefly concerned in the treatment of patients suffering from Influenza and its sequelae.

As I pointed out in my report for the month of March, both the numbers and the virulence of the cases then showed a pleasing decrease, and, whilst this has been maintained during the past month there is still a large proportion of the admissions with a diagnosis of Influenza.

Fortunately, only one death can be directly attributed to this disease followed by Bronco-Pneumonia.

Besides this there have been two deaths from Nephritis, one from pleurisy, and one from Lobar Pneumonia, and one from Cerebral Haemorrhage. This last case was a member of the A.A.N.S., who was previously attached to this Unit. She died within twenty four hours of her admission from Hurdcott.

The number of cases of Infectious diseases has markedly decreased; excepting the T.B. Cases, only four cases of Infectious Disease remain in Hospital at present.

The health of the Medical and Nursing Staffs of the Hospital has been very good during the past month, and there is now only one Nursing Sister off duty from illness.

Under demobilisation in active progress, the Medical and Nursing staffs of the Hospital continue to work under the disadvantages of constant changes, but every attention is being given to the welfare of the patients in Hospital.

SUTTON VENY: WILTS:
1.5.19.

(SGD) A.G. BRYDON. Capt., AAMC.
Officer in charge Medical Division,
First Australian General Hospital.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL:

TO: THE COMMANDING OFFICER:
1st A.G.H.

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE OFFICER IN CHARGE OF THE SURGICAL
DIVISION FOR APRIL. 1919.

There is little to add to the surgical report for last month. No Hospital Ship has gone out during the month, so practically no serious war Surgical cases have been got rid of.

There has been a steady inflow of ordinary surgical cases. Various types of pyuria have been uncommonly frequent. Most of these arrive with a tentative diagnosis of subacute appendicitis. In the absence of suitable instruments for diagnosis, little can be determined of their etiology. It is perhaps possible that some may be the residue of previous trench nephritis, and others again the result of venereal prophylaxis. The cases so far seen have not been of an immediate grave type, but if true pyelitis may have important later effects.

The evil effects of prolonged immobilization and extension in Thomas's splints in the treatment of simple fractures continues to be manifest in nearly all partially treated cases that are being received.

In the theatre attempts have been made as far as possible to distribute the simpler surgical procedures amongst the junior members of the surgical staff. It is hoped in this way to make up in some slight way for the work these Officers missed in leaving Australia before doing an ordinary resident Medical Officer's course.

The work of the massage and electrical staff has as usual been of the highest order; especially has this been so since the additional apparatus arrived. The personal supervision of Capt. Brown of all this work, the prompt and painstaking reports supplied, and the general all round excellence of the results is such that there has been comparatively little for the surgeon to do.

A return of the operations for the month is appended.

Nephrectomy	1.
Duodenal Ulcer(Perforated)	1.
Acute appendicitis	4.
Ununited Humerus:simple fract.bone graft.	1.
Hernia	5.
Epithelioma of lip, two stage oper.	1.
Sequestrotomy	1.
Haemorrhoids	4.
Fistula in Ano	2.
Peri-rectal abscess	2.
Varicocoele	1.
Circumcision	12.
Hammer toe	2.
Trachoma	1.
Minor operations	14.

Total.53.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL.

TO:-

THE OFFICER COMMANDING,

1st A.G.H.

RETURN OF PATHOLOGIST FOR APRIL, 1919.

Tissue.etc.	Nature of Exam:	Total pos: exams find:	
Sputa	For Tubercle bacilli	42	1
Throat	" Vincents Angina	49	31
Swabs.	" Diphtheria	46	-
			Many Vincents cases were suspected of being Diphth: at first
dark gd.	" Spirochete Pallida	6	3
Special smears	" Gonococci	11	2
Blood.	" Wasserman reaction	24	7
	" Malarial parasites	4	-
	" Filaria	2	-
	" Special counts	6	-
	" agglutination	1	1
			Chiefly in acute abdom: cases. a case of "shiga" bacillary dysentery
Faeces	" Dysentery bacilli & amatae	10	1
			"shiga" bacillus isolated once and due tests done
Sections	Microscopical, paraffin & Frozen	4	-
From same	Microsop: culture for organisms	3	-
			Many sections from 4 patients.
Fluids (pleuritic)	For cells etc.	1	
Special cult:	Staphylococci	15	
exam: of les;	Gram. pos. dipplacocci	1	
& prep: of vaccine.	" neg. bacillii	1	
Skin affections	Special exam	2	
Urines.	Total no examined	182	
	of which 31 special glucose estimations		
	16 albumen		
	and 57 microscopical exams were made.		

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Two post-mortems were done. Both of which were particularly interesting and showed remarkable rascular lesions considering the age of the patients. These tissues were also examined microscopically.

The increased use of vaccines and the interest the Medical officers evince in pathological conditions continues to be most gratifying.

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5.5.19.

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FIRST AUSTRALIAN GENERAL HOSPITAL:

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TO: OFFICER COMMANDING:
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REPORT OF WORK OF MASSAGE AND ELECTROTHERAPEUTIC DEPARTMENT FOR APRIL 1919.

Analysis of Electric treatment. :-

Condition.	No.	Grad. Contr.	Galv.	Farad.	Ionisation.		Reactions.
					Cl.	Salicyl.	
Fr. ac. Femur.	29.	29.					1.
" Tib & Fib.	4.	4.					
" Other Bones.	4.	4.					
Nerve Injuries. of :-							
Gt. Sciatic	1.	1.	1.				1.
Int. Popl.	3.		3.				3.
Ext. Popl.	6.		6.		1.		6.
Musc. Spiral.	2.	1.	1.		1.		2.
Median	1.			1.			
Ulnar.	2.		2.	2			2.
Facial.	2.	1.	1.				1.
Scar tissue	7.	2.			6.	1.	
Rheumatism	5.	1.				4.	
Sprain.	1.	1.					
Synovitis.	1.	1.					
Knee.							
Musc. Atrophy.	1.	1.					
Athritis Hip.	1.	1.					
	70.	47.	14.	1.	8.	5.	15.

The work in this department has been greatly developed as is shown in the above table. Miss Godfrey has been taken from Massage work and devotes all her time to electrical Treatment. Also one of the long-standing patients has been to a certain extent trained in Bristow treatment and does all the graduated contraction work in the wards, in cases which are unable to come to the Massage Room. These cases number 19. His work is very satisfactory and cases are doing well.

The massage staff has been greatly depleted owing to the departure of Miss Newton to Australia, and the absence of Miss Young owing to illness. It would have been impossible to do the necessary work but for the voluntary assistance of Sister Payne and Prt. Ambler.

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Although untrained and inexperienced in Massage work they have both done much good and conscientious work and are obtaining very satisfactory results. The statistics of work done by the Massage Staff are attached.

The general lines of treatment given are as follows.

Bristow's Graduated contraction is given as a routine in all cases of fractured femur to counteract the bad effect of prolonged extension and immobilisation, on the muscles. Quadriceps is the main muscle effected, and treated, but the hamstrings and leg muscles are also treated when necessary. Combined with massage excellent results are obtained, both in developing muscle tone and in obtaining union in ununited fractures. Fractures other than femurs are also treated when necessary in the same way.

In cases of nerve injury neuromuscular electrical tests are made forthrightly and appropriate treatment - galvanism (interrupted) or faradism given accordingly to the reactions of the muscle. The cases have not been under treatment long enough for a definite statement as to the results to be made, but there has certainly been very encouraging progress in several cases. Probably the most encouraging type of case under treatment is that of scar tissue involving tendons and nerves. Out of seven cases treated by chlorine ionisation, only one has failed to shew a very marked improvement.

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First Australian General Hospital.

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Complaints.	No. under treatment.	New Cases.	Treat. Discont.	No. under treatment 30.4.19.
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GSW. Causing.

Fractures.	41	64	53	52.
Flesh wounds.	-	1.	-	1.
Paralysis	1	-	-	1.

Acc. Causing.

Fractures.	2.	0	2.	0.
Sprains.	-	5.	1.	4.
Dislocations.	1.	-	1.	-
Other causes.				

Rheumatism	-	1.	-	1.
Myalgia	-	1.	-	1.
Lumago	-	1.	-	1.
Abscesses	-	1.	-	1.

44.	75.	57.	62.
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TO: THE COMMANDING OFFICER:
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REPORT OF WORK OF X.RAY DEPARTMENT FOR APRIL 1919.

No. of cases sent for examination --	117.
No. of plates used	239.
No. of cases sent for treatment.	4.

1. Table of conditions requiring treatment :-

Inj. and diseases of bones	53.
Inj. & diseases of joints	25.
Chest conditions	20
For Renal cal. Positive 3.	
Negative 6.	9.
Bis. Meal Exam.	1.
Frontal sinusitis	1.
for F.B. Positive 5.	
Negative 2.	7.
Myositis ossificans	1.
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2. Analysis of chest conditions.

Tubercle - active.	6.
Pleurisy Acute 2.	
Chr. 1.	3.
Pneumothorax	1.
Bronchitis	2.
Post Pneumonia	1.
Dilation of heart	1.
Effects of gas	2.
Effects of G.S.W.	1.
Normal	3.
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	20.

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3. Analysis of Bone injuries and disease.

Bone.	:Normal.	:Simp.	:GSW.	Compound fracture.	: Disease.
	:	:frac.	: healthy.	:non-Union.	:Sequest.
	:	:	:	:	:
Skull	2				
Jaw	4	2			
Vertebrae	2				
Humerus			1	2	
Radius)					
& Ulna)		2		2	2
Hand	4		1		
elvis		1			
emur		1	4	7	4
Fibia &)					
ibula)	3	6		2	2
					Osteomyelitis of Tibia 1.
oot.	3.				

4. Analysis of Joint Injuries and diseases.

Joint.	Normal.	Involved in. fracture. simp.	Arthritis. G.S.W.	Excision.	Dislocation.
Shoulder.	2.				
Elbow.	2.		1.	1.	1.
Wrist	3.	2.			
Hip.	2.		1.		
Knee.	1.		1.		1.
Ankle.	2.	3.	1.		
	12.	5.	4.	1.	2.
					1.

5. Analysis of plates used.

Size.	No.
$\frac{1}{2}$	13.
1 x 1	22.
8 x 5	69.
8 x 10.	4.
10 x 6	50.
12 x 6	1.
12 x 10	36.
12 x 15	44.

239.

No. of stereographs 55.

6. Plant. The coolidge tube and control has arrived and is in use. There has been a considerable improvement in the quality of the plates obtained and also in the facilities for treatment. The extra accumulator battery has also arrived but owing to delay by the Engineers is not yet installed. Considerable difficulty has been met with in making arrangements for re-charging and care of the accumulators and the need of an electrician attached definitely to the Hospital is severely felt.

SUTTON VENNY: WILTS:
1.5.19.

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A.I.F. EDUCATION SERVICE

A.I.F. DEPOTS IN UK

REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY MAY 16TH 1919

EDUCATION OFFICE 1ST A.G.H.

GROUP	SUBJECT	ENROLMENT	AV ATT.	LECTURE	LECTURER	ATTENDANCE
3	BOOKKEEPING	16	8			
4	FRENCH	28	16			
	ARITHMETIC	6	3			
	MUSIC (THEORY)	6	2			
	WATER COLOURS	18	10			
TOTALS		74	39			

N^o ATTENDING 1 CLASS 60

N^o ATTENDING 2 " 14

N^o ATTENDING 3 "

N^o ATTENDING 4 "

N^o ATTENDING LECTURES

GRAND TOTAL 74

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② Suggestions.

③ Books Sold. $10 = 17 = 6$

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REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY MAY 23RD 1916

ROLL P.	SUBJECT	ENROLMENT	AV ATT	LECTURE	LECTURER	ATTEND ^S
3	BOOK-KEEPING	20	11	PRESERVING	Sgt HOGARTH	25
4	FRENCH	26	15	FRUIT & VEGETABLES		
	ARITHMETIC	8	4			
	MUSIC (Theory)	6	3			
	WATER COLOURS	20	12			
	THEOLOGY	1	1			
TOTALS		80	46			25

Nº ATTENDING 1 CLASS. 66

Nº " 2 " 15

Nº " 3 "

Nº " 4 "

Nº " LECTURES 25

GRAND TOTAL 106

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AIF Depots in U.K

Report for Week ending Friday May 30: '19

Group	Subject	Enrolment	HV Atten	Lectures	Lecturer	Arrears
	Book Keep	22	10	Poultry + Poultry	Sgt Coleman	
	French	26	13	Farming		
	Arithmetick	9	4			
	music	6	4	Pig Raising	Sgt —	
	Water Color	20	11			
	Theology	1	1	Coleman		

Totals	84	43
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N^o. Attending one class 67

No. 17

N^o Three

No. Four

N^o Lectures 25

Grand Total 159

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